

Documentation

Hello.c

It is a simple Loadable Kernel Module that shows how we can make our program to run in Kernel space.

In LKM we register our method using `module_init()` method. When module is loaded this registered method executes. We are just printing “Hello World” Message when module is loaded.

In the same way we have registered our exit method using `module_exit()`. Our exit method is called when module is unloaded. In this method we are printing “Good Bye”

Sys_call_hooking.c

In this module we are hooking **open()** system call. When our module is loaded, it will simply print message “Your Open() system call is hooked” on open system call.

For example if user enter **vim f1.txt** or **cat f1.txt** etc. our module will print message of hooking.

Creation of Loadable Kernel Module from C (e.g. hello.c) file

1. Place C file (hello.c) and Makefile in same folder
2. Make
3. Hello.ko and some other files will be created

```
Zahid:- ls
hello.c  Makefile
Zahid:- make
make -C /lib/modules/4.10.0-28-generic/build M=/home/zahid/SP/project/pp/system-call-hooking-linux/hello_world_LKM_modules
make[1]: Entering directory '/usr/src/linux-headers-4.10.0-28-generic'
  CC [M] /home/zahid/SP/project/pp/system-call-hooking-linux/hello_world_LKM/hello.o
  Building modules, stage 2.
  MODPOST 1 modules
  CC /home/zahid/SP/project/pp/system-call-hooking-linux/hello_world_LKM/hello.mod.o
  LD [M] /home/zahid/SP/project/pp/system-call-hooking-linux/hello_world_LKM/hello.ko
make[1]: Leaving directory '/usr/src/linux-headers-4.10.0-28-generic'
Zahid:- ls
hello.c  hello.mod.c  hello.o  modules.order
hello.ko  hello.mod.o  Makefile  Module.symvers
Zahid:-
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Figure 1

Loading of Loadable Kernel Module

- `sudo insmod hello.ko` (Figure 2)

To View our loaded module

- lsmod

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Zahid:- sudo insmod hello.ko
[sudo] password for zahid:
Zahid:- lsmod | head -5
Module                  Size  Used by
hello                   16384  0
nls_utf8                16384  1
tsofs                   40960  1
vboxsf                  45056  2
Zahid:-
```

Figure 2

To view message printed by LKM

- dmesg

To clear messages from console

- sudo dmesg -c

To unload LKM

- sudo rmmod hello

Complete demonstration video is available at

<https://drive.google.com/drive/u/3/my-drive>